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SUBJECT: DPRK OBSERVER MISSION REQUEST FOR MEETING WITH
AMBASSADOR SCALI

REF: USUN 1140

1. I RECOMMEND THAT USUN HAVE NO RPT NO DEALINGS AT THIS TIME
WITH NORTH KOREAN OBSERVER MISSION ON MATTER OF
DPRK PEACE AGREEMENT PROPOSAL. ANY MEETING BETWEEN
NORTH KOREANS AND USUN OFFICER, WOULD BE INTERPRETED
AS IMPLICIT USG ACCEPTANCE OF NK EFFORT TO DEAL
DIRECTLY WITH US ON QUESTION INVOLVING SECURITY ON
THE KOREAN PENINSULA AND VITAL INTERESTS OF ROK.
MEETING BETWEEN NK PERMANENT REP AND AMBASSADOR SCALI WOULD ALSO
HAVE BROADER IMPLICATIONS RE USG RELATIONSHIP WITH NORTH.

2. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE ROKG WOULD VIEW DIRECT
USG-NK CONTACT ON PEACE AGREEMENT IN MOST SERIOUS
TERMS. REQUEST BY NK PERMANENT REP FOR MEETING
WITH AMBASSADOR SCALI TO DISCUSS METHOD OF
FORWARDING LETTER TO US CONGRESS APPEARS SIMPLY
TRANSPARENT EFFORT TO ENTANGLE US IN DIRECT
DISCUSSION ON "PEACE AGREEMENT" IN FASHION WHICH
WOULD BE HARMFUL TO OUR INTERESTS AS WELL AS THOSE
OF ROKG.

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3. IN VIEW ABOVE, BELIEVE WE SHOULD IMMEDIATELY

INFORM ROKG IN NEW YORK AND HERE OF NK APPROACH.
WOULD RECOMMEND THAT WE TELL ROKS THAT LOW-LEVEL
USUN OFFICER WILL SIMPLY RESPOND TO NK APPROACH
BY INDICATING THAT WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO MEET WITH
THEM IN RESPONSE TO THEIR REQUEST.

4. IN ANY CASE WOULD STRESS THAT WE SHOULD PROCEED NO
FURTHER IN THIS AFFAIR WITHOUT TELLING
ROKG IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR PAST PLEDGES.

5. AS A GENERAL PROPOSITION, I FEAR THAT ANY USUN DIRECT SUBSTANTIVE
CONTACTS WITH NORTH KOREANS RE PEACE AGREEMENT PROPOSAL WOULD
HAVE UNFAVORABLE REPERCUSSIONS HERE AND
COMPLICATE OUR EFFORTS TO RESOLVE UNC PROBLEM
IN MANNER WHICH DOES NOT UNSETTLE SECURITY
SITUATION.

6. COMING IN CONTEXT OF DIFFICULT DOMESTIC
SITUATION HERE AND LIKELY SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION
IN OUR MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR KOREA,
ANY INDICATION THAT WE WOULD ACCEPT A
DIRECT NORTH KOREAN CONTACT RE ITS PEACE AGREEMENT
PROPOSAL WOULD BE SUSCEPTIBLE TO THE
MISINTERPRETATION. THIS IS NO TIME TO CREATE
IMPRESSION THAT USG WOULD BE PREPARED TO DEAL DIRECTLY
WITH NORTH KOREANS ON THEIR PEACE AGREEMENT PROPOSAL
WHICH EXPLICITLY EXCLUDES ROKG ROLE.

7. CONSEQUENTLY, WOULD HOPE USUN COULD RECEIVE
EXPLICIT INSTRUCTIONS TO AVOID SUSTANTIVE CONTACTS
WITH NORTH KOREANS AND TO AVOID CREATING ANY
IMPRESSION WE ARE WILLING TO DEAL DIRECTLY WITH
NORTH KOREANS ON THEIR PEACE AGREEMENT PROPOSAL.
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